



Docket No. 1232-4478

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Tokunaga

Group Art Unit: 2612

Serial No.: 09/189,010

Examiner: Ye, Lin

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For: PHOTOELECTRIC CONVERSION DEVICE, FOCUS DETECTION DEVICE,
METHOD OF CONTROLLING THESE DEVICES, AND STORAGE MEDIUM

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL

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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Rejection mailed June 4, 2003, the Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks. A petition and fee for a three month extension of time is submitted herewith. Also submitted herewith is a Request for Continued Examination and corresponding fee. No additional fees are believed due in connection with this response. However, in the event any additional fees are necessitated by this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge our deposit account no. 13-4500, order no. 1232-4478.

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